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is not filed concurrently herewith, please consider this as a Petition for the requisite extension of time, and to the extens not already paid, authorization to charge the extension fee to Account No. 06-1378. In addition, authorization is hereby given to charge any fees for which payment has not been submitted,

or to credit any overpayments, to Account No. 06-1378.

## AMENDMENT UNDER 37 CFR 1.116

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## SIR:

This is responsive to the Final Office Action mailed August 4, 2006, the term for response to which expires on November 4, 2006.

Amendments to the Claims are set forth in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper. Claims 1-15 are canceled; claims 16 and 19 are amended, and claims 17, 18, 20 and 21 are maintained.

Remarks begin on page 7 of this paper.